



I Will Follow Good Leaders!

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Lesson 5

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - GOOD JUDGEMENT

Great leaders decide whether to follow someone based on whether that person follows God.

LEADERSHIP GOAL

Your children will learn that we should follow leaders who follow God.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Abimelech rules over Shechem - Judges 9

WHAT DO I DO?

Have your children watch the Leadership Video, *I Will Follow Good Leaders*.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR THIS LESSON:

- Have your children read the Leadership Lesson, found in Judges 9.
- Have your children complete the Leadership Questions.
- Watch the Leadership Video as a family.
- Do the Optional Family Activity.

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: GOOD LEADER DETECTOR

Cut a piece of paper into small pieces then write some good and bad qualities on them. Here are some suggestions. Bad qualities: dishonest, mean, hurtful, selfish, violent, etc. Good qualities: honest, kind, helpful, selfless, gentle, loyal, peaceful, etc. Turn all the pieces of paper face down and mix them up. Have your family members turn them over, one at a time, and sort them into bad and good qualities. Point out that the good qualities are ones we should find in people who follow God. When we are looking for leaders to follow, we should look first to see if he or she follows God. If that person follows God, we can expect him or her to show all of the good qualities that we see in our good qualities list. No leaders are perfect, but if they follow God, they should almost always show the good qualities that make a great leader and a great friend, as well.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"Remember your leaders who taught you the word of God. Think of all the good that has come from their lives, and follow the example of their faith."

Hebrews 13:7 (NLT)



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Main Point: I Will Follow Good Leaders!

Read the Bible Lesson about Abimelech in Judges 9. Then watch the Bible Lesson Video and write your answers to the questions below using the space provided.

1. True or false? When Gideon died, Israel once again turned away from God and began worshiping Baal.
2. How did Abimelech plan to become king? Circle the correct answer.
 - A. By killing 70 of his half-brothers.
 - B. By trusting in God.
 - C. BY going to another country and becoming the king there.
 - D. He never wanted to be king.
3. True or false? Gideon told the people that it was better for his son to rule over them than to have the Lord rule over them.
4. What happened as the people were making Abimelech their king? Circle the answers that apply.
 - A. A giant earthquake.
 - B. Abimelech's youngest half brother, Jotham, shouted down to the people asking them if they had honored Gideon by what they had done.
 - C. Jotham told the people that fire would rain down and devour them.
 - D. A rainbow was in the sky.



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5. True or false? Three years later most of the people of Shechem and Abimelech were killed.

6. What can we learn from this Bible lesson about the type of leaders we should follow? Circle the correct answer.
 - A. Discover their character and how they act.
 - B. Determine if they love Jesus and follow Him.
 - C. If the leaders are honorable follow them, if they are dishonorable do not follow them.
 - D. All of the above.

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Answer Key

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1. True
2. A
3. False
4. B, C
5. True
6. D